

**DECLARATION FOR UTILITY OR DESIGN PATENT APPLICATION
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METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR MANIPULATING A SAMPLE

the specification of which

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 was filed on _____ as United States Application Number or PCT International Application Number
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I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

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Prior Foreign Application(s)

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DECLARATION – Utility or Design Patent Application

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